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As Jack Bell
370 W. River St.
Clyde, O.



Post John P. Bell
78th Sig Co. A.P.O. 78.
Camp Pickett,
Va.

Darling Sweetheart,

It was wonderful talking to you this afternoon. It seemed as though you were so close. I just wish I could have taken my hand and stuck it into the telephone and pulled you out. You seemed kind of distant, but then I suppose there were a bunch of fellows standing around. I just wish you would have said "I love you" without my having to prod it out of you. I would have felt better. But anyway I was just happy to hear your dear voice.

Now let me tell you about Chuck's girlfriend. She is 18 years old and her name is Patricia Evelyn Dawe Lewis. I guess her real name is Dawe but her step-father's name is Lewis so she just goes by that. We saw her picture and she looks very cute. And the way Chuck writes about her, ~~he~~ is apparently very crazy about her. He wants to marry her but he says the English laws are very complicated about marriage. He said in one of his letters that

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he is not going to be a navigator because he didn't want to leave Pat. And he would have to come back to the states with out her and in his own words "his heart would still be in England." So I guess they will be married and he thinks he will be back in this country about in June and I suppose bring her. We are all so ~~an~~ anxious to meet her.

When you come home I'll tell you all about it.

Darling. I love you so much. Some times I miss you so very much. To-day was one of those days. That's why I had to call you up. I had to talk to you. It's not that I'm morbid or blue or anything but it's just that I would give anything to have you at my side right now. you know Darling. I can talk to Polly or your mother or any one of my friends but there are certain things I can't say

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to anyone but you. You seem to be such an understanding person, I can tell ~~you~~ anything and you always seem to see both sides of the story and then too, no one is interested in our house or car or furniture except you. I mean really interested and not just for the sake of listening. I can take care of the house beautifully but sometimes the car ~~stumps~~ ^{me} I forget what has to be done. And then I feel bad because I know you are depending on me to keep your car in good shape. Just like one morning when it was real icy outside, I couldn't get the car out of the garage because of the ice and when I got it almost out it started to slide and the front fender smacked up against the door and made a little dent in it, I felt so bad about it I almost cried, because you take such pride in keeping the car in good shape. I guess I don't take good care of the outward appearance of it but as Hank said "It has a dandy motor." I try to remember all the things you

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But you will forgive me if I make
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of the page has come up to meet me.
So I'll put in lots of hugs and kisses
and all my love - your Own, Fink.

[[Nick Dante 2/8/16]]

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Mrs. J. P. Bell
345 W. River St.
Elyria, O.

[[image- purple 3 cent U.S. postage stamp
w/ President Jefferson]]

[[image- black circle stamp: ELYRIA, OHIO 1944
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